

TWO THOUSAND MARINES

RUMORED REQUEST OF THE INTERNATIONAL GUARDS

Family of Montana Movers Arrive In Starving Conditions

Trekking Across the Desert With a Broken Down Team and a Rickety Wagon Land In Tonopah Without a Bite of Food.

One of the most pitiable cases of destitution seen in Tonopah came to the notice of Sheriff Malley last night when he was informed that a family from Montana had arrived after dark utterly penniless and destitute. They had exhausted their last cent in making this camp, trailing across the desert and, if they had not succeeded in reaching Tonopah last night they might have starved to death as there was not a bite of food for either the family or the animals.

There are seven children with the father and mother. The man of the outfit gave his name as J. H. Maxwell and his former home as Livingstone, Montana, where he was burned out last October and was left without a dollar in the world. He had no resource but to look to a brother in Phoenix, Arizona, for assistance, as there was nothing to do in the vicinity of Livingstone and he thought he could make his way overland by finding work on the road.

From the date of his first loss he had nothing but misfortune. To go back to the original trouble it is necessary to explain that he was operating a farm on shares. The harvest was a bountiful one, and when they got through threshing his share was 1500 bushels of barley. Everything looked lovely and Maxwell was

seriously considering the expediency of buying the farm. That morning he went to Livingstone to buy provisions. When he returned he found fire had swept away every vestige of a tidy fortune, consuming the barley, his barn containing harness and implements, and his house. That led to the resolution to start for distant Arizona.

They succeeded in making the journey in fairly good shape as they all enjoyed excellent health with the exception of the mother who suffers seriously from exposure until they reached Butte where they remained long enough for Mrs. Maxwell to recuperate and for the husband to earn a little money. Then they resumed their journey and managed to make Elko. Maxwell found employment for five weeks and then stayed in Elko another week looking for work. Not finding any and realizing that the expenses of waiting were making inroads on his savings he hitched up two horses to a farm wagon remaining from the Montana fire and headed south with \$4.50 as his fortune. Nothing but bad weather was encountered and it is a matter of surprise to the auto men that the bunch finally landed here, since better outfits could not make any headway. At Round Mountain they were flat broke and the wagon brake needed fixing. Maxwell appealed to a blacksmith and, after he told of his hardships, the Round Mountain man repaired the damage and went around and took up a collection from his neighbors. This netted about five dollars and enabled the Maxwells to buy provisions.

Finally they straggled into Tonopah in the last stage of decrepitude with biting hunger gnawing at their vitals.

The Elks heard of the dire distress and a committee brought relief while the machinery of the law was being put in motion. This morning the Women's Relief Corps went valiantly to work securing children's clothing and donations of food. The county furnished new shoes to replace the tattered footwear of the movers, a tent was bought and the family made comfortable. The management of the household was left to a 16-year-old girl, the eldest of the family, and she proved herself a child of excellent training. When the tent was erected her first thought was to sweep the ground. She had no broom but she did have a scrubbing brush. With that she cleaned off the interior floor so there was not a speck of dust or pebble visible. Then she installed the little sheet iron camping stove and began to prepare the first substantial meal the family had enjoyed for several weeks. A few boxes of candy were not forgotten by the generous committee and the babies showed their appreciation of this luxury.

Maxwell was reared in Iowa and Mrs. Maxwell is from Missouri. Both are unsophisticated and have no idea of the hazards of the long journey undertaken at this season of the year. They are about forty years of age. The family ranges from three girls of 16, 14 and 12 years down to a manly little fellow of two years. The children show the effect of the weather. Their faces are bilious and carried by exposure to wind and snow but, with the exception of the mother, who is in a delicate condition, all appear rugged and inured to hardship.

One of the most remarkable features is that none of the family suffered from frost bites, notwithstanding the fact that the children's feet were almost bare and naked, both shoes and stockings being worn through. Two horses were hooked to the dilapidated wagon and one hardy little cayuse was attached to a shaky old buggy that was used to carry the children. Another broncho trailed along to relieve his mate in the buggy shafts.

They will travel by the way of Goldfield and Las Vegas.

THANKS OF THE BONANZA TO THE MINER PUBLISHERS

The Bonanza is indebted to the publishers of the Tonopah Miner for assistance which enabled this paper to appear today. Owing to the indisposition of the Bonanza Linotype operator and the fact that there was no substitute available here or in Goldfield it was merely a question of whether the Bonanza would appear in the shape of a handbill or not at all. Through the courtesy of the Miner, which tendered the use of its equipment, the difficulty was overcome and the matter handled with only a trifling delay.

THREE YEARS ORE IN RESERVE AT SILVER PEAK MINE

DEVELOPMENT BEING STEADILY CARRIED IN ADVANCE OF THE STOPPERS.

Five-dollar ore is not deemed a bonanza in many camps, but it affords an excellent margin of profit when worked with the automatic devices and the scientific methods employed at Blair, says the Reno Journal.

The general manager of the big property at the Esmeralda county camp, pronounced to be just about the third biggest gold mine in the world, or thus heralded in times past, W. F. Bradley, spoke briefly regarding the Pittsburg-Silver Peak Gold Mining company.

Mr. Bradley is here to attend a meeting of the Nevada Mine Operators' association, which will be held tomorrow in executive session for the transaction of regular and special business. He said:

"Our mill is dropping its full complement of 120 stamps and the tube mill also is in operation, but that is only the almost uninterrupted history of the plant.

"The extraction is averaging better than 90 per cent. In January we crushed about 15,000 tons. The average value was in the vicinity of \$5.20.

"Development work is being conducted in order to hold the reserves unchanged. Including the last half of 1913, the reserves amount to three years' run. As to the amount that could be placed in sight, in addition to the present reserves, I, of course, could say nothing and would not hazard an estimate."

DIVORCE CASE TO HIGHEST COURT

CONSTITUTIONALITY OF 12-MONTHS' LAW WILL NOW BE DETERMINED.

CARSON, Feb. 26.—The constitutionality of the 12-months' divorce law will be determined by the supreme court, according to action taken here today. Application for a writ of mandamus, directing District Judge Moran of Reno to appear and show cause why he should not issue an order directing service by publication in the Worthington divorce case, was filed with the supreme court by Attorney James G. Sweeney. An early hearing is expected upon the matter.

The Worthington divorce action was filed in Reno by Attorney H. V. Morehouse and the complaint gives the residence of the plaintiff in Nevada as of six months duration.

A piece of iron pipe makes the best support for young trees.

HUERTA SAYS HE DENIED REQUEST WILSON SAYS NEVER ASKED LEAVE MEXICO IS PUTTING UP A HUGE BLUFF

(By Associated Press.) MEXICO CITY, FEB. 26.—Huerta has refused the United States government permission to send 2,000 marines as legation guard. Huerta, himself, said he was asked by Washington to allow additional Americans and 1,000 men comprised of German, English and French marines for legation guards. He denied the request on the ground that there was no need for such precautions O'Shaughnessy denied knowledge of such proposal.

WASHINGTON, FEB. 26.—President Wilson denied that the United States had requested permission to send marines to Mexico City, or had discussed the matter with Mexico officials. American officers said they had discussed among themselves the advisability of such a step, but nothing was decided regarding Huerta's announcement which was made purely for its possible effect in Mexico City and to accentuate repeated assurances that foreigners are not endangered.

GOLDFIELD CON. DECLARES A DIVIDEND OF 30 CENTS MAKING \$1,067,744.40

RENO, Feb. 26.—The board of directors of the Goldfield Consolidated Mines Company met today in the office of the president at Reno and declared a dividend of 30 cents per share, payable to stockholders of record March 31st on April 30th.

Those present at the meeting were: George Wingfield, president; Albert Burch, general manager; A. H. Howe, secretary and treasurer; H. M. Hoyt, director and counsel.

The sum to be distributed is \$1,067,744.40, which will make a total distribution paid in dividends of \$27,398,215, or a total of \$7.70 per share.

The annual meeting of the company will take place at Evanston, Wyoming, March 16th, and the annual report will be mailed to the shareholders at that time.

MISCELLANEOUS COUNTY ITEMS SUBMITTED

EDITOR BOOTH'S DOG TAKEN TO RENO FOR EXPERT TREATMENT.

"Nig" is in the hospital at Reno. Everybody in Tonopah knows "Nig," the big black bird dog owned by Mr. W. W. Booth of the Bonanza, and everybody who has seen the family pet suffering during the past three weeks, will sympathize with his owner. After exhausting every resource and advice in Tonopah without gaining any relief it was decided to take "Nig" to a veterinary hospital at Reno, where he was operated on this morning.

Dr. Bamberger, one of the best veterinarians in the western country, has charge of the patient and says that the trouble is due to germs which had become inoculated in the blood, causing a bleeding and running sore that failed to yield to the best local treatment. Dr. Bamberger says there is nothing serious about the case except that it will take some little time for the animal to regain his former health and activity.

Mr. Booth took "Nig" to Reno Wednesday morning.

FELIX DIAZ WAITING FOR RIGHT MOMENT

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Felix Diaz, commenting on the Mexican situation, remarked: "I am waiting in New York until I have an opportunity to do something for my country. To borrow the phrase of another, I may say my policy is that of 'watchful waiting.'"

GERMAN LIEUTENANT KILLED IN A DUEL.

(By Associated Press.) METZ, Germany, Feb. 26.—Lieutenant Van Javelotte Saint George killed Lieutenant Hawke in a duel as the result of a "gross insult," according to an official report.

Secretary Bryan and British Ambassador Spring-Rice conferred and decided that British Consul Percival will not proceed into Mexico for examination of Benton's body until "better arrangements can be made."

WASHINGTON, FEB. 26.—Representative Kahn, in a house address, attacked the "watchful waiting" policy, and expressed the hope that the administration's Mexican policy would soon be substituted for one bringing peace. "The fact that it became necessary to remove the embargo on arms is an admission of failure of the 'watchful waiting' policy and a deadly drifting toward a more warlike description. Since the embargo was removed an additional murder and lawlessness resulted for which we are responsible."

He said he believed co-operation with Argentina, Brazil and Chili would solve the Mexican difficulty.

BARNEY OLDFIELD IS LEADING IS THE TWENTY-FIFTH LAP OF VANDERBILT CUP RACE

(By Associated Press.) SANTA MONICA, Feb. 26.—Ralph De Palma won the Vanderbilt cup race by a narrow margin over Oldfield after a desperate speed battle of over 100 miles, during which only a few seconds separated the drivers.

SANTA MONICA, Feb. 26.—The twentieth lap of the Vanderbilt cup race became a contest between De Palma and Oldfield. De Palma leading by two minutes at the rate of over 80 miles an hour.

The following drivers were put out of the race by accidents: Grant, first lap; Wishart, third lap; Lewis, fifth lap.

ARSON SQUAD DESTROYS CHURCH BUILT IN THIRTEENTH CENTURY

(By Associated Press.) DUNBAR, Scotland, Feb. 26.—An arson squad of militants saturated the interior of the historic parish church in the village of Whitekirk with inflammable oils and burned it to the ground. They also used explosives, shattering massive slabs. The church was built in 1297 A. D. and contained relics of Cromwell's battles.

HEAVIEST SNOW SOUTH CAROLINA HAS KNOWN

SOUTH CAROLINA SUFFERING FROM STORMS THAT INTERRUPT BUSINESS.

(By Associated Press.) COLUMBIA, S. C., Feb. 26.—Business is suspended and there is no street car traffic in South Carolina generally, as the result of the heaviest snowfall ever experienced.

FLOATER RETURNS AND GETS SIX MONTHS IN COUNTY JAIL

Ray Gallagher, a neversaw, was picked up at the railroad station this morning by Chief of Police Evans, in company with a woman, and was taken to the county jail under an old six-months' commitment which had been suspended last September on promise to keep away from Tonopah. Evans thinks the underworld should know that floaters are meant to stick.

TEMPERATURE REPORT.

Highest temperature yesterday, 41 degrees; a year ago, 36. Lowest temperature last night, 23 degrees; a year ago, 23.

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NEVADA HORSES ARE SENT TO NEW JERSEY

Two cars of Nevada work horses were shipped out on the Southern Pacific line from Reno for New Jersey. They were sent to William Damon of that state and were in charge of Robert Mason. The horses came from Minden. While Nevada horses are frequently sent to market it is rare for a shipment to go such a distance, freight officials say.

OUT OF HOUSE OF DEATH TO TOMBS FOR NEW TRIAL

LIEUTENANT CHARLES BECKER TAKEN FROM DEAD MAN'S BOW.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—A formal order permitting the removal of Charles Becker from the death house in Sing Sing to the Tombs here, preparatory to a new trial for instigating the murder of Rosenthal was filed.

Becker and his wife had a pathetic meeting at Sing Sing. She brought citizen's clothes so he would not have to wear those furnished by the prison.

The Albany court of appeals fixed the week of April 13 as the date for the execution of "Gyp the Blood," "Lefty Louis," "Whitely Lewis" and "Dago Frank," the gunmen convicted with Becker, whose petitions for new trials were refused.

JUDGE BREEN SUFFERS FROM SERIOUS ATTACK

The condition of Judge Peter Breen, who has been seriously ill for several weeks is now reported to be much improved. The first of the week his family and friends were considerably worried about him and called Dr. Leon Belanger of Austin into the case. The doctor arrived here Wednesday evening by special train from Palestine and remained over night. It is understood Dr. Belanger said that Judge Breen had an attack of pneumonia, but his condition then was not serious, and unless he had a setback he should shortly recover from his illness. Eureka Sentinel.

REPUBLICAN HARMONY MEETING IN OHIO

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 26.—Large delegations from all sections of Ohio attended the Republican "harmony" meeting.